

## SPICY TESTIMONY DEVELOPS IN HABEAS CORPUS HEARING.

### The Martial Troubles of the Staffords Aired Once More in Fight for Children.

# PERCY DAMES SCANDALIZED

About 20 Women Were in Court to Testify and Sat Through it All—The Reid Equity Suit Is Up Once More—Other News of the Courts.

UNIONTOWNS, April 17.—The proceedings in court broke away from their monotony once more this morning and there was more than usual interest in the nabob corpus hearing instituted by William Stafford against his wife, Ett Stafford to secure possession of his four children. The children were in court this morning, bright, well dressed youngsters, and with them came about 20 women from the vicinity of Percy who sat through the proceedings and heard the sordid evidence with varied feelings. Some uttered but most of them looked grim and severe, as though their last friend had departed.

It was the testimony of Simon Sumney and his wife May, that was de-

testified as to Mrs. Stafford's alleged  
 insanity. It is averred that Mrs.  
 Stafford went to live with one Thomas  
 Williams. The Sumers boarded at the  
 Williams home and were somewhat  
 surprised when Mrs. Stafford retu-  
 rned in company with Williams. They told

In company with Williams. They told other things about the two, also. Other witnesses testified regarding Mrs. Williams' alleged infidelity.

Pearl Evans, a rather nice looking girl, took the stand and told that Willums, Mrs. Stafford and Luke Hudson wanted her to go to Brownsville with them. She confided to the court that she would not go to a dog fight with that crowd. Judge Van Searingen heard the testimony.

All the licenses have now been tak-

pected that the brewery licenses would be granted this morning, but no action was taken by the court. Attorney about the court house expected the decisions to come yesterday, and when

The equity suit of I. W. Reid against D. H. Reid, B. F. Bost, George R. Scull, administrator, and the Senior Trust Company, trustee, is becoming almost a continuous performance. The answer of D. H. Reid was filed

that F. M. Reid on January 27, 1900, transferred and sold his stock in the Connellyville & Lusk Coal & Coke Company to E. H. Reid and is entitled to no share of the \$127.00 which was

## Registration

Books Are Sent  
To Assessors.

UNION TOWN, April 27.—The registration books will be set out this week in order that all the voters may start work on May 1. It is necessary that the registration be completed by May 1.

This year it will be necessary to register all school children between the ages of 6 and 16 years. All series lists of occupations and boards will

are necessary in making up the State appropriation.

In making the appropriation, one-third is for the number of children of school age in the district concerned on the basis of teachers employed, and one-third on the number of

**Jurors Discharged;  
The Graft Trials  
Off For Present**

United Press Telegram  
PITTSBURGH, Apr. 27 (Judge Krazer  
today disallowed the petit jurors ex-  
cept those in deliberation of the ex-

man Coffey. He also announced that there will be no more graft trials at present.

Judge Fitzgerald's grant ended a session. It was believed no new case has been reached in the Coffey case.

It is believed District Attorney Buckley realized that it is useless to endeavor to bring such matters in the graft cases with the present panel and asked the court to discharge the jurors.





## VERY HANDSOME CHURCH WEDDING.

Nuptials of Miss Mary Rich-  
ey and Brooks John-  
son Goodin

SOLEMNIZED IN UNIONTOWN

First Presbyterian Church Scene of  
Beautiful Ceremony United Union-  
town Girl and Pittsburg Man. Last  
Evening—Rainbow Color Scheme  
is Used.

Special to The Courier.  
UNIONTOWN, April 27.—One of  
the prettiest weddings witnessed in  
Uniontown in recent years was that  
of Miss Mary Rich-ey, youngest daugh-  
ter of Mr. and Mrs. David Stewart  
Rich-ey of Uniontown, and Brooks  
Johnson Goodin of Pittsburg, which  
was solemnized last evening at 7:30  
o'clock in the First Presbyterian  
Church, Uniontown, in the presence of  
about 200 guests. The ring ceremony  
was performed by the Rev. Dr. Wil-  
liam Hamilton Spence. Commencing  
at 7 o'clock, Prof. George Phillips, or-  
ganist of St. Peter's Episcopal Church,  
Uniontown, rendered a 30-minute or-  
gan recital of appropriate music.  
Promptly at 7:30 o'clock the sweet  
strains of Laubach's wedding march  
burst forth and the bride and groom  
entered the church.

The bride, Miss Mary Rich-ey, a sister  
of the bridegroom, was escorted by  
her brother, Brooks Johnson Goodin,  
and wore an exquisite  
train of white crepe de chine over-  
skirt, and carried a large bouquet of  
lilies of the valley, narcissus, and  
maiden hair fern. Miss Rich-ey who  
was dressed in marriage by her father,  
looked charming in a handsome gown  
of white crepe de chine over white  
silk, hand embroidered in duchess and  
point lace. She carried a huge bou-  
quet of white bridal roses.

The wedding was a rainbow affair.  
The idea was effectively carried out  
by the bridesmaids, Misses Estelle  
Barnes, Adelle Bliss, Katherine Rich-ey,  
Catherine Rich-ey, Miss Jean R. Snyder,  
New Castle, Miss Josephine Rich-ey,  
New Castle, Miss Margaret Rich-ey,  
Washington, D. C. The six colors of the rain-  
bow spectrum, green, pink, blue, lav-  
ender, white and yellow, were carried  
out in their festal gowns. Each  
carried a large bouquet of narcissus  
and lilies of the valley. The small  
flower girls, Misses Virginia Lehnage  
and Virginia Semans, carried dainty  
baskets of narcissus and white daisies.

At the altar the bride and groom  
were joined by the Rev. Dr. Spence, and  
the ceremony was completed. The  
bride and groom were then escorted  
to the altar by the bridesmaids and  
flower girls. The bride and groom  
were then escorted to the altar by the  
bridesmaids and flower girls.

The decorations of the church were  
very handsome. The front of the  
sanctuary was decorated with  
large bouquets of white narcissus  
and lilies of the valley. The  
bride's table was decorated with  
white and yellow. The bride and  
groom were seated at the head of  
the table. The bridesmaids and  
flower girls were seated on either  
side of the bride and groom. The  
guests were seated in the pews.  
The wedding was a very handsome  
affair. The bride and groom were  
very happy. The wedding was a  
very handsome affair.

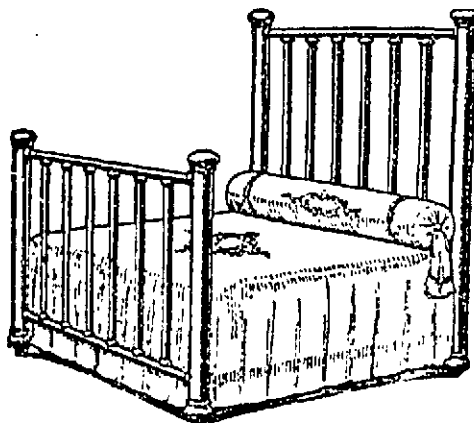
Among the out of town guests pre-  
sent were Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Snyder,  
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. S. and Miss Blanche  
M. of Conneville. Mrs. Sara  
B. Goodin of Pittsburg, Mrs. John  
Smith of Conneville, W. A. Robert  
C. of Conneville, Mrs. D. T. Amund  
and Mr. L. H. Amund of Conneville,  
and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Amund of  
Conneville. A number of guests from  
Pittsburg were in attendance.

Men and Wisdom.  
The best men are born wise. Next  
comes those who grow wise by learn-  
ing, then, learned, narrow minds.  
Narrow minds without learning are  
the lowest of the people.—Confucius.

# AARON'S STORE THE MARKET FOR SALARIED FOLKS.

This house that quality built is recognized as the market for salaried people, and the one establishment above all others which regards all people as human beings—and deals with them as such. Our terms—whether cash or credit—are open to every one alike. Our credit accommodations are making homes here impossible by the cash route. If you have never traded with us, you have missed prices, terms, high class goods and high class treatment that you will not find duplicated in the State.

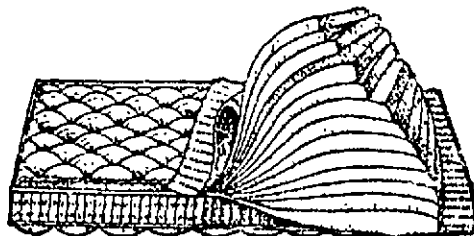
Today we call your attention to some of our high class specialties, asking you to take the time to compare them with whatever may be offered elsewhere. Many of the finest furniture-makers have selected us to act as their exclusive agents in Conneville and vicinity.



### ALL BRASS BED

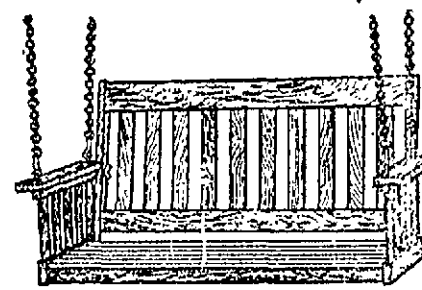
This beautiful bed is guaranteed to be finished in the finest French lacquer. It is of the most durable construction and has heavy two-inch posts and one-inch top rails, with very fine mesh springs. Biggest bed bargain ever offered. Positive \$20.00 value.

**\$11.75**



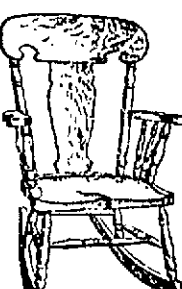
High grade Cotton Filled Mattress, heavy stripe ticking, built up of (not stuffed) a superior quality of cotton; a mattress we freely recommend to give perfect satisfaction. Special this week at

**\$8.95**



Two Passenger Porch Swing, finished weathered oak; complete with chains and hooks. Special price

**\$3.50**



### Rocker \$2.25

This Rocker is strongly and massively constructed throughout of selected hard wood in a rich golden oak. It is very comfortable, being made with a full saddle seat and a large back panel which shows all the flakings of the wood. Will last a lifetime. Special price

**\$2.25**



This "One Motion Go-Cart," which, as its name implies, opens and folds with one simple motion, is made with strong (yet not weighty) steel frame, rubber tire wheels with fabricoid leather seat, sides and hood. Contrary to general belief this price is for the complete. There is no additional charge for hood. Special this week

**\$5.75**



### Aaron's

### Kitchen Cabinet Set of Six Genuine Leather Seat Dining Chairs, Upholstered Over Cane, \$19.75

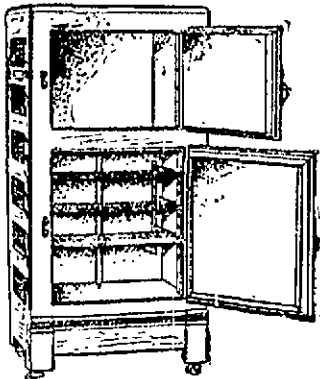
Here is a Kitchen Cabinet that cannot help but interest you. The picture tells almost the whole story. The base contains a sliding door bin hang on steel rollers. The top measures 24x40 inches and is made of satin walnut. Special price

**\$8.75**



Made of finest quality quarter sawed oak. The posts and spindles are square cut; French legs and terminate in claw feet and match the most expensive buffets. Special price for six

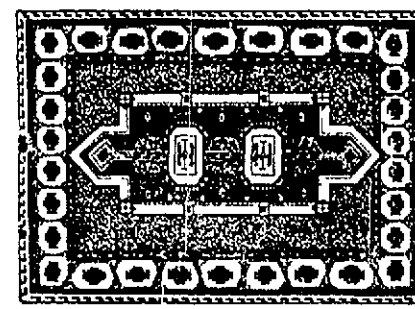
**\$19.75**



This Large Family White Enamel Lined Refrigerator, made of solid well seasoned wood, finished in a rich golden, round corners, has large roomy ice chamber; the doors and joints are tight fitting, reducing ice consumption to a minimum; easy to clean and keep clean. Our special price only

**\$12.50**

OTHER REFRIGERATORS AS LOW AS \$6.75.



9x12 Brussels Rugs in a wide assortment of pleasing, artistic patterns, including many rich, new color combinations, will be placed on sale this week at the following special price. Every rug in this lot is made with reversible patterns—thus insuring double wear. In reality, two patterns are woven into each rug—thus making two rugs for the price of one. Special this week only

**\$10.75**

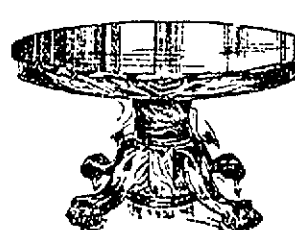
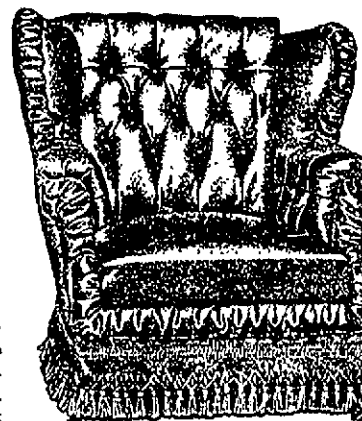


This Genuine Fabricord

### TURKISH ROCKER

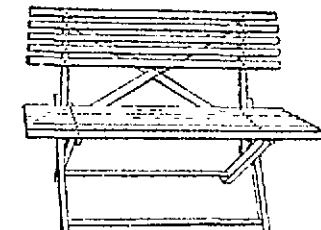
is unquestionably the most remarkable value ever offered in this or any other store. In design it is a faithful reproduction of Turkish Rockers costing from \$25 to \$40. It is made of genuine Fabricord leather, splendidly and substantially upholstered over full, strongly reinforced springs, tufted back, ruffled front and top. The frame is of solid construction. In comfort it is unrivaled by any rocker made; is roomy, well made and artistic; the greatest value ever offered at

**\$14.75**



Extension Table, exactly as pictured above, made of solid oak, golden finish, massive pedestal effect, claw feet and large top. Opened this table extends six feet. Special at Aaron's this week

**\$12.75**



Lawn Bench for Two  
Special 75c



Guaranteed Gas Range  
Special \$12.75

## The Daily Courier.

THE COURIER COMPANY,  
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WEDNESDAY EVENING, APR. 27, 1910.

## PUBLIC QUESTIONS

## AND PRIVATE CHARACTER.

The hearing of the remonstrance against the action of the court in appointing a receiver in Connellsville is in many respects an unusual proceeding.

It is unusual in Fayette county to have more than one receiver appointed at a public meeting of the court, and the public meeting of the court, held at the courthouse, was a most unusual proceeding.

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The World—This visit is giving me a strenuous time. Colonel Roosevelt will stay with the Kaiser until May 12 as they have much to do.—News Item

## SCOTTSVILLE'S ATTACK OF LIBERTY.

The Liberator Standard has done Scottsville's latest troubles after the following rather professional fashion:

It is evident from this that the terms of many county borough and township officers will be lengthened materially. In Connellsville, on the other hand, the terms of some officials may be shortened considerably by the establishment of a city government.

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## Dress Linens

For Linen Drawnwork, Scarfs,  
Lunch Cloths, Sheets, etc., in  
Many Qualities at All Prices.

15c Linens.—All cotton of course, but such an exact imitation of pure linen that it takes an expert to judge the difference. We are showing three different weaves 36 to 42 inches wide, suitable for ladies' waists, suits and dresses and boys' suits, price ..... 15c

Linen Waisting.—27 inches wide and all pure linen fine thread, and sheer quality and suitable for gowns and children's dresses ..... 25c

Linen Suiting.—36 inch all pure linen, good weight and suitable for tailored waists, women's and children's dresses. A good quality at only ..... 35c

Linen Suiting.—42 inches wide, a good weight and closely woven, sold especially for ladies' coat suits and boys' suits ..... 75c

Plain Damask.—A good closely woven heavy weight damask, suitable for scarfs, dollies and center pieces for scappling and embroidery 24 inches wide and priced at ..... 85c

Heavy Linen.—46 inches wide and suitable for suitings, lunch cloths and embroidery work ..... \$1.00

Linen Suitings.—40 inches wide and the very best quality obtainable to sell at this price ..... \$1.00

## SILK HOSE SPECIAL

Just received a shipment of these in black only. They are sure to be popular on account of their low price and good wearing qualities. The heel, toe and garter top are made of fine silk which insures their durability, while the balance is all pure silk. Their appearance and quality suggests much more than the price asked ..... 75c

## CURTAIN SCRIM

12 1/2c Scrim.—A fine light weight material, 6 inches wide in conventional and oriental designs and colors on tan back ground. 1 roll ..... 12 1/2c

Colored Scrim.—In Colonial, floral and conventional designs, all new patterns and printed on both sides, 6 inches wide and a good heavy quality. Very popular for library, hall or den. At ..... 35c

30c Scrim.—6 inches wide, in white and cream only in large banded effects. A very good and favorite curtain material at ..... 30c

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40,000 ROLLS—150 PATTERNS FOR YOUR SELECTION.

New Patterns Arriving Daily.

Our stock of Wall Paper this season is up to the record of past seasons. We have always handled the largest and most complete line of wall paper brought to Connellsville. This year our stock is complete and up-to-date. We carry all the new things in stock. You are not compelled to wait while it is sent for. Come in and look over the line.

Neat attractive designs for bedrooms, kitchens, halls and living rooms, the bolt, 5c down to ..... 3c

Beautiful floral and novelty designs for rooms of every description, the bolt, 6c

7 1/2c and ..... 8c

Varnished Glits, Liquid Golds, Two Tone and Fancy Decorations of all kinds in high grade papers, bolt, 15c, 12 1/2c and ..... 8c

## CARPETS.

We are closing out the entire line of Carpets. Everything in this line must go this spring. You can buy Brussels or Velvet Carpets at a less price from us than any carpet store can buy them from the factory.

Fine Brussels Carpets in a variety of patterns, regular price \$1.10 yard, our closing out price, yard ..... 65c

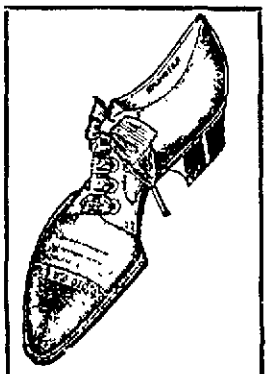
Best Velvet Carpets in almost any pattern you could wish for. These carpets were \$1.45 the yard. We are closing them out, yard ..... 85c

## Schmitz' New York Racket Store

## The Cream of Footwear BANISTERS.

PROUD OF THEM.

Never before did they look so nice or so attractive as they do this time. The new toes in the "Woodward" and the "Navarro" are beauties. There is a style and character about our Banisters' Shoes and Low Cuts, that appeals to the man who appreciates good shoes. Better leather, better shoe-making, or better styles cannot be found anywhere. When it is a question of good shoes come here, and you will never be disappointed when we sell you Banisters.



OXFORDS \$5.00 SHOES \$5.00 and \$5.50

C. W. DOWNS &amp; CO.,

Connellsville's Leading High Grade Shoe Store

Right Now  
Is the Time to Buy  
South  
Connellsville Lots.

For prices, location of lots, etc. inquire of the Connellsville Extension Co., The Courier Building.

## THE POPULARITY

of our Women's Low Shoes is due largely to the fact that we have succeeded in getting the very best styles without sacrificing fit or good wear.

We are especially proud of our \$2.50 and \$3.00 line, which include Oxfords, Gibson Ties and Strap Pumps in the very prettiest designs. We have all sizes and widths in Patents, Plain Kid, Gunmetal and all the popular shades in Tans. You can get any weight sole you want. The variety is so large here that it is easy to select just what you like.

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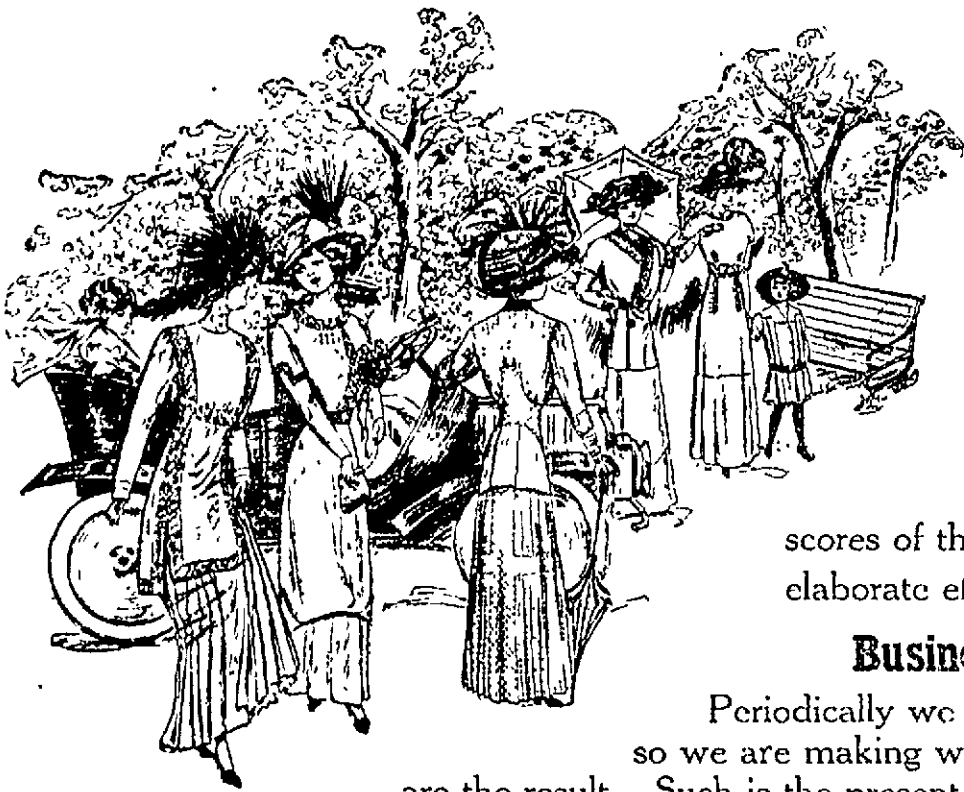
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Strictly tailor-made, long roll shawl collars, 34 to 36 inches long, full pleated skirt; regular \$15 value for Wednesday and Thursday only **\$7.50**

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These women's suits are of the man-tailored kind. The jackets are neatly trimmed and silk lined, with regulation and the new shawl collar; the skirts are made walking length in the new plaited styles. The materials of these suits are serge, panamas and worsteds in black, navy, tan, blue, green, rose and white serge with handsome stripes; \$25 value, for Wednesday and Thursday only **\$12.50**

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## 54-40 OR FIGHT

BY EMERSON HOUGH  
AUTHOR OF "THE MISSING SLIPPER"  
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### CHAPTER XVIII.

#### The Missing Slipper.

There was a little something in the air of a man's life as there is in the air of a woman's.

We passed the luncheon hour at the hotel of my friend Jacques Bertillon after which I suggested a stroll about the town for a time.

Before we started I asked him to stop in my room where I had left my pipe. My eye fell on the commode's top and I saw that it was bare.

I recalled the strange warning of the baroness the evening previous. I was watching my apartment had been entered in my absence. Property of mine had been taken.

My perturbation must have been discoverable in my face. What was it, asked the old man, "You forget something?"

No, said I, stammering. "It is nothing."

He looked at me dubiously. "Well, then," I admitted, "unless something from my commode here. Some one has taken it."

It was of value, perhaps? he inquired politely.

"Well, no, not of intrinsic value. It was only a slipper of white satin, made by Brann of Paris."

"One slipper?" Of what use—

"It belonged to a lady—I was about to return it," I said, but I fear my face showed me none too calm.

Each man studies for himself his own specialty, and of the old man, "You had perhaps studied the species of women. Once also I."

We talked, my friend musing and babbling, myself still anxious and uneasy. We turned out of narrow Notre Dame street, and into St. Lawrence a main street. As we strolled I noted without much interest the motley life about me, picturesque now with the activities of the advancing spring. Presently however my eye was drawn to two young Englishmen whose bearing in some way gave me the impression that they belonged in official or military life, although they were in civilian garb.

It seems the two halted, and regarded the taller kept on in the end, to the old French town. At length I saw him joined as though by appointment by another gentleman, one whose appearance at once gave me reason for a second look. He resembled my young Englishman, and



would serve both as a witness and as an excuse for denying any suspicion which might be entertained regarding myself.

The next day he readily enough fell in with my suggestion of a morning stroll, and again we strolled forth at about nine o'clock, leaving by that time finished a dejeuner à la fourchette with Jacques Bertillon, which to my mind occupied unfavorably with one certain other I had shared.

A sense of uneasiness began to oppress me. I know not why before I had gone half way down the little street from the corner where we turned. It was gloomy and dismal enough at the best, and on this morning an unusual apathy seemed to sit upon it, for few of the shutters were down, although the hour was now mid-morning. Something said to me that it would be as well for me to turn back.

I might as well have done so. We passed up the little walk and I raised the knocker at the door, but even as it sounded I knew what would happen. There came to me that curious feeling which one experiences when one knocks at the door of a

could learn nothing. "Sir," said I to my friend at last, "I do not understand it. I have pursued but I seem the butterfly's foot. So both silent myself morosely, we turned and made our way back to the town.

Half an hour later we were on the docks at the river front, where we could look out over the varied ship-ping which lay there. My scientific friend counted one vessel after another and at last pointed to a ship in the line.

"Yesterday I was here," he said, "and I counted all the ships and their names. The steamer Modeste she has there. Now she is gone."

I pulled up suddenly. This was the ship which carried Capt. Pack and his friend Lieut. Port of the Fifth Army. The secret council at Montreal was, therefore, apparently ended. There would be an English bird expedition, across Canada to Oregon. Would that be also an expedition in war? At least my friend in Montreal, now finished, had not been a vain, even though it ended in a mystery and a query.

### CHAPTER XIX.

#### The Gentleman from Tennessee.

Women distrust men too much in general, and not enough in particular. Philip's comment.

Now all the more was it necessary for me and my friend from Oregon to hasten on to Washington. Before we embarked, I found as soon as I started the first clues below the Canadian line. It was in the air row that under Calhoun there would be put in four congress a distinct and definite attempt at the annexation of Texas.

Stories of all sorts were on the streets, rumors of the wealth of Mr. Calhoun, yet other rumors of his political possibilities at the coming Whig and Democratic conventions. Everywhere was that strange ominous dread of a terrible tension of the atmosphere which exists when a great people is moved deeply.

Like as it was when I reached Washington I did not feel it to be a pair at once to the residence of Mr. Calhoun, and I took with me as my best adjunct my strange friend Von Rittenhofen who, I think, might add detailed information which Mr. Calhoun would find of value. We were admitted to Mr. Calhoun and after the first greetings he signified that he would hear my report. He at length turned to his child, and I went on with my story, his eyes as he listened also my old companion.

I spoke, I explained what the latter knew regarding Oregon. I saw Mr. Calhoun's eyes kindle. As usual he did not lack decision.

"Sir," said he to Von Rittenhofen, "I trust not lacking in a great many points of interest in the future and it occurs to me now that in your report there are opportunities to add to our store of knowledge. It respects to certain biological features."

The old gentleman rose and bowed. I thank you for the honor of your company, sir," he began, but Calhoun raised a gentle hand.

If it would please you, sir, to defer your visit to your own country for a time I can assure you a situation in our department in biology where your services would be of extreme worth to us. The salary would also allow you to continue your researches into the life of our native tribes."

Von Rittenhofen positively glowed at this. "Ach, what an honor!" he began again.

"Meaning," resumed Calhoun, "not to mention the value which that research would have for us, we could also find use, at proper remuneration, for your private aid in making up a set of maps of that western country which you know so well, and of which even I myself am so ignorant. I want to know the distances, the topography, the nature of travel. I want to know the peculiarities of that country of Oregon."

I could resist the persuasiveness of Mr. Calhoun's speech certainly not. Von Rittenhofen who thus found of fered him precisely what he would have desired. I was pleased to see him so happily situated and so soon.

Presently we dispatched him down to my hotel where I promised later to make him more at home. In his elation over the prospect he now saw before him the old man fairly bubbled. Germany seemed farthest from his mind. After his departure, Calhoun again turned to me.

I want you to remain, Nicholas," said he, "because I have an appointment with a gentleman who will soon be present."

It was a late hour, sir," I ventured. Are you keeping faith with Dr. Ward?

"I have no time for hobbies," he exclaimed, half petulantly. "What I must do is this work. The man who is to meet to-night is Mr. Polk. It is important."

Perhaps half an hour later, Mr. Calhoun's old negro man ushered in this small crowd, and we three found ourselves alone in one of those mid-air contacts which went on in Washington even then as they do to this day. Mr. Polk was serious as usual, his individual features, wearing the mark of solemnity, which with many posies was wisdom.

"I have come," Mr. Calhoun said, "when the latter had assured him that my presence would entail no risk to him—to talk over this Texas situation. How do you stand in case war should be declared against Mexico, that ought to be a popular measure."

The Texas have entered the popular imagination. The Union rangles in our nation's memory. What would you say to a still demand there, with a strong show of military force, behind it?"

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### GREEN ROOM CHAT.

#### THE SOISSON.

##### Elks Minstrels Tonight.

Tonight will be the last performance of the Elks Minstrels at the Soisson theatre.

##### Howe's Pictures.

A struggle through an inferno of what and wave—the unequal battle of a big ship with the elements—constitutes one of the features of Lyman H. Howe's Travel Festival at the Soisson theatre on Friday night of this week.

The ship's old captain described it as the worst storm he had ever encountered. The ship is shown plowing through a high sea when suddenly a cumulative wave overwhelms it. At times she is buried under a veritable mountain of water. Finally when 2,000 tons of water thunder on the deck and superstructure, the force of it plays havoc with crew and ship. It is so terrific that it wrecked the wheel house and mowed the chief officer. As the huge volumes of high flying water dash over the vessel, one cannot help admiring the heroism of the crew in the great fight with the sea.

On the moment the ship is seen on the crest of a wave. The next she is plunging headlong into the valley between huge waves. Then she strikes a mighty barrier of green water which shuts out sky and horizon. The bow is hurled out of sight and the water bows over the full length of the ship. Wooden life boats were dished into splinters and heavy steel plates were twisted and bent all out of shape. The wheel was wrenched off, and the chief officer was flung over the deck. He escaped death by a hair's breadth for he managed to clutch the rail, just as he was being swept over it into the sea. He had seen the big wave coming and threw himself at it so as to escape its force but the water picked him up bodily and hurled him across the ship. Many other features that are equally thrilling will be shown by Mr. Howe.

"The Old Homestead"

The famous rural play of New England life as depicted by the "Old Homestead" is announced as the attraction at the Soisson theatre on Thursday night, May 5. This clever rural play will show the regular theatrical season at the Soisson.

#### MATINEE IDOL

Among the Indians With the 101 Ranch Show

One would hardly look among the many shows of the plains for a matinee idol. "Bollie Shirts" and "Stuffed Animals" and "Cuff" are not among the wonders of the staid cowboys and Indians, but this does not prevent the 101 Ranch Wild West Show from having an idol that has played havoc in the affections of more than one of the matinee idol worshippers. The Shiloh

at which the maidens are doing homage is a Simon pure Sioux Indian and he is a fine specimen of manhood. The fact that he cannot do justice to the affection that is being wasted upon him, by reciprocating in hushed words does not seem to make any difference to his fair admirers. "Standing Oak" for that is the name of the Indian—cannot speak a sentence in Anglo-Saxon. His language is confined to that of his fathers.

Being an Indian he is vain and the eyes that will not behave and look beseechingly on him, are met with a response stronger than the words of either the Indian or the white man's vocabulary. He loves to be admired and he is not particular who his admirers are. His teepee is well decorated with the favors that have been bestowed upon him by the fair ones of every city, and if the Indian has a squaw back on the plains some one should send her word to come on and take care of him, for he is very likely to forget her and fall a victim to the powers of one of the seekers for an affinity. Edward Arlington, who with the Miller Brothers, is owner of the 101 Ranch Wild West Show, is inclined to take the matter seriously. He is not favorable to flirting in any shape, but when some of the women who should have better sense try to win out one of his best Indians he becomes decidedly aggressive.

Possibly some of the women are aware of the fact that many of the Indians with the show are independently wealthy. They are all owners of grants of land by the Government and some of this land is almost beyond purchase. On many of the grants in Oklahoma oil has been struck and the Indian like his pale face brother craves coupons at certain periods of the year.

Enlightening.

A little girl of two years, when asked recently by a stranger, "Who are you?" quickly answered, "Mamma's darling and daddy's pal."

Talk to Scoffers and Doubters

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